

A RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL, REDUCTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, inasmuch as on December 31, 2021, the City's agreement with CrowderGulf, LLC, for debris removal, reduction, and disposal services shall expire, the City recently solicited proposals for providing such services immediately for a service period through December 31, 2023, with one renewal option for a two (2) year period, to ensure that the City has a contractor in place to remove, reduce, and dispose of debris in the event of a storm event or other Act of God; and,

WHEREAS, the solicitation involved the development of a comprehensive Request for Proposals package which was disseminated on July 12, 2021, by posting same on the City's website, the Georgia Local Government Access (the "GLGA"), and the Georgia Procurement Registry (the "GPR") local government access website, and by e-mailing it to firms which either had previously contacted the City about providing such services or had previously provided such services to other local governments in Southeast Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, the City's solicitation of proposals followed normal protocol by encouraging responses from small and/or minority business enterprises; and,

WHEREAS, out of the nine (9) proposals that were submitted to the City before the deadline, six (6) were disqualified by reason of failing to comply with certain mandatory requirements set forth in the Request for Proposal Package; and,

WHEREAS, out of the remaining three (3) proposals, CrowderGulf, LLC -- the City's current debris management contractor, was scored the highest by a selection committee composed of the Assistant City Manager and the Assistant Finance Director based upon certain weighted factors set forth in the solicitation package including, but not limited to, price, ability, qualifications and experience, and work approach; and,

WHEREAS, the proposals submitted by Ceres Environmental Services, Inc., and DRC Emergency Services, LLC, were given high scores, but ranked second and third, respectively, by the above-mentioned selection committee based on the City's scoring system, with said contractors expressing the desire to enter into secondary contingent contracts with the City which would not be activated unless and until the City's primary contractor proved unable to perform its contract with the City; and,


WHEREAS, it would be in the City's best interest to have three potential contractors, instead of just one, available for debris management operations in the event of any storm event or other Act of God; and,

WHEREAS, the City Manager has confirmed that no one associated with the City has any financial interest in any of three above-named contractors that would compromise the award of a contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CITY, GEORGIA, that CrowderGulf, LLC, be designated as the City's primary contractor for debris removal, reduction, and disposal services, and that Ceres Environmental Services, Inc., and DRC Emergency Services, LLC, be both designated as secondary contractors to perform such services to the extent that CrowderGulf, LLC, proves unable to do so;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Manager, with the advice and counseling of the City Attorney, be authorized to negotiate and execute, on behalf of the City, a primary contract with CrowderGulf, LLC, and secondary contingent contracts with Ceres Environmental Services, Inc., and DRC Emergency Services, LLC, for providing debris, removal, reduction, and disposal services, containing the terms and conditions set forth in said contractors' respective proposals for services, and that he be further authorized to execute any other documents which he and the City Attorney deem necessary to further the intent of this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 4th day of October, 2021.


Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council

RECEIVED AND APPROVED this 4th day of October, 2021.


Don Bethune, Mayor